County Library Board Meeting December 11, 2008

The meeting came to order at 10:05 with Acting Chair, Judy Brendel; Trustees, Donna Ohs, Pat Bradley and Gary Forney; and Library Director, Joanne Erdall present. Evalyn Johnson is on bereavement leave until early January.

The minutes of the November 13th, 2008 meeting were read. A motion to accept as read was made by Ohs and seconded by Bradley.

Old Business:

Forney updated the board on the 501C progress. We read through the Pace Archives Bylaws. A motion to accept these documents and bylaws contributed by Gary Forney was made by Pat Bradley and seconded by Donna Ohs. A motion to name Evalyn Johnson, Curator of the archives was made by Donna Ohs and seconded by Gary Forney. Johnson will make recommendations for trustees to the archives to the County Library Board.

The commissioners reappointed Gary Forney at their December 9th meeting to serve until June 30, 2013.

Financial Business:

Those present went over the last 6 months line item details of the budget. The Pace Trust is now marked restricted fund because it lives in the Capital Improvement Fund #925 which might cause confusion of anyone not knowing that this money can not ever be spent. We can only spend the interest earned and it can only be spent to benefit the archives. We currently have \$1,084.00 in interest to spend.

Erdall would contact Don Kirby Electric about an estimate for the up-lighting and to look at the bathroom heater.

New Business:

A letter was read from Postmaster, Joan Brooke of Pony concerning the Pony Book Station. Discussion followed. Ohs will bring the books to and from Pony from now on.

Library Updates:

The genealogy database, Heritage Quest was purchased for all public libraries through the state library. Erdall would do an online training this month. The librarian certification through the state library has a new committee updating this program and their first meeting is in early February. Erdall was asked to join a panel at the Montana Library Association Conference in Kalispell in April. The panel will discuss collecting and preserving local Montana History.

Agenda for the January meeting will include moving forward with contacting architects for a library addition.

The next meeting is scheduled for 11:00 am January 15th. A brunch will be served. There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:30 am.

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